

Preliminary Amendment

Appln. No.: National Stage of PCT/JP03/16755

REMARKS

Claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 have been amended and new claims 13-20 added, to place the claims in desired appropriate form for examination. Thus all of the claims are now in appropriate form, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to proceed with the examination of the pending claims.

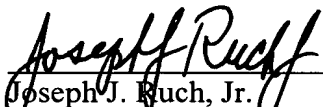
Early favorable action is earnestly solicited.

In the event that the Examiner believes that it may facilitate the further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number indicated below.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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